

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 JERUSA 00021 061708Z

47

ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 H-02 /013 W

----- 123547

R 061500Z JAN 76

FM AMCONSUL JERUSALEM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7619

INFO AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV

UNCLAS JERUSALEM 21

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, PBOR, IS, JO, US

SUBJECT: LIBERTY BELL GARDEN BICENTENNIAL PROJECT

REF: STATE 001676

1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT LIBERTY BELL GARDEN IS LOCATED ENTIRELY IN WEST JERUSALEM, IN AREA THAT WAS UNDER ISRAELI CONTROL PRIOR TO 1967. IT IS LOCATED IN SO-CALLED OMARIYA PLOT, ON WEST SIDE OF BETHLEHEM ROAD, WEST OF FAMOUS LANDMARK OF MONTEFIORI WINDMILL AND ROUGHLY OPPOSITE MOUNT ZION. WHILE THIS GARDEN IS IN WEST JERUSALEM, IT WILL FORM PART OF NATIONAL PARK PLANNED EVENTUALLY TO ENCIRCLE MOST OF OLD CITY.

2. GARDEN'S DEVELOPMENT WAS AUTHORIZED BY JERUSALEM MUNICIPAL COUNCIL IN APRIL 1975 "AS AN EXPRESSION OF THE ESTEEM IN WHICH WE HOLD THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND FOR THEIR GREAT ASSISTANCE IN THE RENAISSANCE OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN ITS LAND". FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT OF 29 DUNAM (7.25 ACRES) PLOT ARE BEING SOUGHT FROM PRIVATE DONORS IN BOTH US AND ISRAEL. GOAL REPORTEDLY \$1.25 MILLION FROM US DONORS AND I.L. 1.25 MILLION FROM ISRAELIS. FUND RAISING IN US BEING CARRIED OUT BY JERUSALEM FOUNDATION. PLAN IS TO DEDICATE PARK JULY 4, 1976, IN HONOR OF U.S. BICENTENNIAL.

3. CEREMONIES WERE HELD JULY 2, 1975, MARKING TRANSFER OF REPLICA OF LIBERTY BELL FROM KNESSET PARK TO LIBERTY BELL GARDEN SITE. PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS WERE FONMIN ALLON AND JERUSALEM MAYOR KOLLEK. EMBASSY TEL AVIV REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDED WITH VISITING SENATOR JAMES BUCKLEY.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 JERUSA 00021 061708Z

4. UNDERSTAND EMBASSY TEL AVIV REPLYING SEPARATELY TO REFTEL.
NEWLIN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: BICENTENNIAL, PROGRAMS (PROJECTS)
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 06 JAN 1976
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1976JERUSA00021
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D760004-0176
From: JERUSALEM
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1976/newtext/t19760184/aaaacwlt.tel
Line Count: 63
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 76 STATE 1676
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: castelsl
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 26 JUL 2004
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <26 JUL 2004 by barnescd>; APPROVED <13 AUG 2004 by castelsl>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
04 MAY 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: LIBERTY BELL GARDEN BICENTENNIAL PROJECT
TAGS: PFOR, PBOR, IS, JO, US
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 04 MAY 2006